



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
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FEB 23 2012

REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

Robert L. Long
Summit Petroleum Corporation
P.O. Box 365
Mount Pleasant, Michigan 48804-0365

Dear Mr. Long;

I am writing you to follow up on the November 3, 2011, letter from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency regarding the matter of Summit Petroleum Corporation (Summit) obtaining a minor source construction permit under the authority of the federal minor source rules for Indian country and a valid Part 71 federal Clean Air Act (CAA) operating permit. EPA, as the proper permitting authority for CAA permitting programs within Tribal reservations, requests that you submit an application for a federally-issued minor source permit. Please submit the application for the minor source permit within 3 months of receipt of this letter. Your failure to obtain the appropriate federal permits under the CAA may result in Summit being subject to a federal enforcement action.

In your July 21, 2011, letter, you state that Summit has already obtained air pollution permits from the State of Michigan. However, as EPA had explained in a November 3, 2011, letter to Summit, EPA is the proper permitting authority for all CAA permitting programs within the Isabella Reservation. EPA recommended that Summit obtain a federally-issued minor source permit to limit emissions from the Summit facility to levels below major source permitting thresholds. The federal permit would include emission limits and restrictions similar to those contained in the Michigan permit. EPA then would carry the conditions from this minor source permit into the federally-issued Part 71 operating permit.

We appreciate Summit submitting its Part 71 operating permit application to EPA in April 2011. We will act on the operating permit application as soon as we have taken action on the application for a federal synthetic minor construction permit discussed in this letter.

Please contact Constantine Blathras of my staff, at (312) 886-0671, if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Genevieve Damico". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Genevieve Damico
Chief
Air Permits Section